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## VIA ECF

Hon. Louis L. Stanton  
United States District Judge for  
the Southern District of New York  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 21C  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *Paul Philippe of Romania, on behalf of the Estate of King Carol II of  
Romania v. Christie's, Inc.*, 1:25-cv-1151-LLS

Dear Judge Stanton:

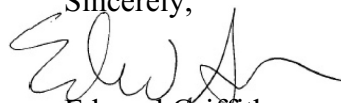
I represent Plaintiff/Interpleader Defendant Paul Philippe of Romania ("Paul Philippe") and this is my second follow-up status report on the parties' efforts to negotiate terms under which Third-Party Interpleader Defendant State of Romania ("Romania") will accept service.

As previously reported, Romania commenced a state court action against the other parties and intends to move to dismiss this action for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. The other Interpleader Defendants, Paul Philippe and Accent Delight International, Ltd. ("Accent Delight"), believe this Court has subject matter jurisdiction and intend to oppose Romania's motion. *See* March 27, 2025 Status Report [ECF 36]; April 4, 2025 Status Report [ECF 37].

The parties continue to negotiate, and they still expect to file a Stipulation and proposed Order soon. That Stipulation and proposed Order will include a proposed briefing schedule for Romania's motion to dismiss, probably to begin on May 19, 2025.

Thank you for considering this matter.

Sincerely,



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